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TO : WINSTON LORD FOR HENRY KISSINGER

ABC/NBC FILM OF FAMILY OF AF CAPTAIN HECK WAS REFUSED TO FLY B-52 RUN. FAMILY SAID HE BECAME DISGUSTED W/WHAT HE WAS DOING AND HAD WRITTEN THAT US WAS BEING DECEIVED ABOUT RAIDS. EVEN IF COURT-MARTIALED, FAMILY SAYS HE WROTE HE WILL FIND IT EASIER TO GO TO PRISON THAN TO TAKE FURTHER PART IN WAR. RATHER NOTED HOW HECK HAD HAD ENOUGH OF THE KILLING AND THAT FEAR IS CLAIMED NOT TO BE A FACTOR IN THE DECISION BY THE "MUCH DECORATED" PILOT WHO WENT TO SAME COLLEGE AS RN. NBC ALSO NOTED HE WENT TO WHITTIER.

UPI LEADS: "A HIGHLY DECORATED FORMER GREEN BERET AND (JFK) SECURITY GUARD (POUNDER) BEGAN FINAL PROCESSING FOR DISCHARGE FROM ARMY AS A CO."

STEWART MOTT HAS CONTRIBUTED \$45,000 TO A CAMPAIGN TO PERSUADE HILL TO CUT OFF FUNDS. HE EXPECTS CAMPAIGN TO COST \$200,000. IT'LL TRY TO FIND AMONG THE 96 MCS WHO HAVE SWORN DOVISH TENDENCIES BUT HAVEN'T VOTED CONSISTENTLY AGAINST THE WAR. MOTT'S GROUP BELIEVES THERE ARE 151 HOUSE VOTES TO CUT OFF FUNDS, INCLUDING 140 WHO HAVE VOTED CONSISTENTLY THAT WAY AND 11 NEW CLEARLY ANTIWAR MCS. ...6 STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING NSA, CALLED FOR STUDENTS TO COME TO DC AND JOIN A MARCH SPONSERED BY ANTIWAR GROUPS ON INAUGURAL DAY.

DRUMMOND SAYS CUT OFF WOULD TRANSLATE MCG STAND INTO LAW AND COUNTRY DIDN'T REELECT RN TO CARRY OUT MCG POLICY. BUT RN IS NOT AS SECURE AS LANDSLIDE SUGGESTS W/THE PREMATURE PROMISE OF PEACE AND THE RAIDS UNDERCUTTING SUPPORT. "AT PRESENT MAIL TO PRO-RN GOP RUNS STRONGLY ON SIDE OF FUNDS ACTION," SAID ROSCOE AND "IF RN IS TO REVERSE THIS TREND, HE'LL HAVE TO EXPLAIN" TO THE NATION.

TAMPA TRIB EDIT SAYS ATTEMPT TO FORCE CUTOFF "CAN ONLY AID NVN," AND HANOI WON'T MAKE CONCESSIONS IF IT THINKS HILL WILL FORCE END TO AID. PAPER CALLS ATTEMPT TO LABEL BAC-MAI BOMBING DELIBERATE AS "REPREHENSIBLE, "W/OUT EVIDENCE AND THE PRODUCT OF A "BIASED MIND". "THE FACT IS -- WHICH THE WAILERS IGNORE -- THAT THE

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CLARK, BAEZ, FONDA, ALLEN, MCGOVERN, DANES, SWEDS AND ITALIANS
WHEN "CALCULATED SLAUGHTERS" IN SVN TOOK PLACE? "AND IF ANY OF THOSE
WHO SEEK TO MAKE A SHRINE OF BAC-MAI EVER SOLICITED A DOLLAR FOR THE
MAIMED AND HOMELESS OF SVN WE CAN'T RECALL THEIR COMPASSION." IT
NOTES NO ARVN IN NVN BUT 150,000 NORTH IN SOUTH, AND CONCLUDES:
"MISDIRECTED EMOTION CAN BE MORE DESTRUCTIVE THAN A MISDIRECTED BOMB."

DETROIT NEWS ALSO SAYS ANTI-WAR POLITICS ARE HURTING RATHER THAN
HELPING CHANCES "FOR PEACE AND THAT" IF NEZI, FULBRIGHT, MCG ET AL
WANT PEACE -- AND NOT JUST OPPORTUNITY TO EMBARRASS ADMIN -- THEY
SHOULD HOLD THEIR FIRE. NEWS CALLS NEDZI'S PROPOSAL "TYPICAL, " --
"VIRTUALLY CONCEDE VN TO HANOI AND VC...MORE THAN THEY HAVE
DEMANDED OR EXPECT TO GET IN THE NEGOTIATIONS." CONCLUDES THE
NEWS OF DETROIT: "MCS MORE INTERESTED IN SETTLEMENT THAN
PROPAGANDA WILL GIVE PEACE A CHANCE."

GLOBE-DEM OPINES NVN "MUCH MISTAKEN" IN THINKING RN COULD
BE COWED INTO SIGNING PEACE WHICH WOULD RESULT IN ONLY MORE SVN
SLAUGHTER. NVN WAS WRONG ABOUT COERCING RN INTO PRE-ELECTION TREATY
FAVORABLE TO NVN AND WRONG ABOUT DOVISH CLAMORING FORESTALLING
RAIDS. THE PEACE TALKS RESUMED " FOR THE SIMPLE REASON THAT NVN'S
INDUSTRIAL AND MILITARY CAPABILITIES HAVE BEEN POUNDED SENSELESS."
PAPER REMINDS THAT " THE FIRST BREAKTHROUGH...CAME AFTER THE
MINING..." GLOBE-DEM KNOCKS BAEZ AND CLARK "WHO SPEND SO MUCH
TIME IN THEIR BELOVED HANOI" AS AN "UNSUCCESSFUL FIFTH COLUMN TRYING
TO UNDERMINE RN RESOLVE FOR PEACE." THE US IS "TIRED OF THE WHINERS"
WHO COMPLAIN ABOUT EVERY ACTION AGAINST NVN, WHILE REMAINING MUTE
ABOUT NVN ATROCITIES. "OUR RESOLVE IN THE FIELD MUST NOW BE MATCHED BY
OUR RESOLVE AT THE BARGAINING TABLE, "CONCLUDES GLOBE-DEM.

IN A PUBLISHED RESPONSE TO PROTESTERS OUTSIDE HIS HOME XMAS
EVE, "THERE IS AN UN-SCOTT-LIKE HARSHNESS," SAYS THE BULLETIN'S
ADRIAN LEE, "A CERTAIN NOTE OF WEARINESS W/HIS CRITICS' NEAR
OBSESSIVE SOLICITUDE FOR HANOI, AND THEIR APPARENT INDIFFERENCE TO
COMMUNIST TERROR. ..."SCOTT ASKS WHERE WERE THE PROTESTERS
WHEN HUE CITIZENS WERE SLAUGHTERED AND NOW, WHEN NVA TERROR
SHELLINGS ARE OCCURRING? HE MAKES IT CLEAR THAT HANOI TRIED TO
RENEGE ON THE OCT. AGREEMENT. "FOR HANOI TO CONDITION THE
RELEASE OF US POWS, "SAYS LEE, "ON A GENERAL JAIL DELIVERY IN
SAIGON (OF 40,000 PRISONERS) WAS TO BRING THE WHOLE LABORIOUSLY

ACCEPTED BY THE US -- WHAT WOULD NVN'S NEXT PRICE FOR OUR POWS
BE? LEE CONCLUDES THAT FUTURE "PEACE VIGILS" MIGHT CLOSE W/A PRAYER
FOR THE B-52 CREWS WHO FLEW THEIR CRAFT INTO A MAELSTROM OF FLAME
AND FLYING STEEL TO OBTAIN THE LASTING PEACE RN'S CRITICS SEEM TO
SHRINK FROM."

ATLANTA JOURNAL'S JOHN CROWN CALLS RECENT DISMAY OVER BOMBING
"TOUCHING BUT NOT PRAGMATIC" CALLING ANTI-WAR CRITICS "DEFEATISTS"
WHO IGNORE FACT NO ONE IS "PRO-WAR." RN IS MORE ANTI-WAR THAN
CRITICS AS EVIDENCED BY HIS WILLINGNESS "TO ENDURE SLINGS AND
ARROWS FROM THOSE WHO SEEK A DECEPTIVELY EASY, "TRANSIENT"
PEACE. NOT ALL FORMS OF PEACE ARE NECESSARILY INVITING, I.E., THE
PEACE OF THE GRAVE, OF THE CONCENTRATION CAMP, OF SOCIETY W/IN A
DICTATORSHIP, AND OF UTTER DEFEAT. " THERE IS ALSO THE SPURIOUS PEACE
LEADING TO FUTURE WAR OR FUTURE SURRENDER." EVIDENCE IS ABUNDANT
THAT US WANTS NO PART OF MCG-MANSFIELD PEACE "OF CUT AND RUN, OF
ABJECT SURRENDER, OF UNILATERAL CEASEFIRE AND UNILATERAL SURRENDER.

CROWN FEELS THAT RN KNOWS UNLESS PEACE IN SVN IS HONORABLE
AND REALISTIC, "WE HAVE GOTTEN NO PEACE AT ALL." THO US IS TIRED
OF WAR AND RN WOULD BE POPULAR FOR ANY PEACE, CROWN PRAISES RN
FOR STANDING FAST UNDER FIRE WHILE POPE AND PALME "CRY OUT ABOUT
BOMBING, PATENTLY IGNORING ROLE OF BLOOD-STAINED" NVN. CROWN
"THANKS GOD" RN HAD "GUTS" TO FACE UP TO DECISION THAT ONLY BOMBING
WOULD BRING BACK NVN TO TABLE.

COMMENTING ON THE RN-HAK RIFT RUMORS, BASKIN OF THE DALLAS NEWS
RECALLS THAT HAGERTY ALSO USED THE TERM "WE" WHICH HAK - CRITICS
HAVE SEEN THE NSC ADVISER USING THE TERM "WE" WHICH HAK - CRITICS
THERE'S THE SUGGESTION THAT HAK OPPOSED THE BOMBING -- BASKIN
FEELS "THIS PROPAGANDA UNDOUBTEDLY COMES FROM THE RADICAL PEACE
FACTION, WHICH APPEARS NOT TO WANT PEACE SO MUCH AS IT WANTS
EMBARRASSMENT AND FAILURE OF THE ADMIN. "BASKIN FURTHER NOTES
THAT HAK'S DEC. CONFERENCE WAS "ACTUALLY QUITE TOUGH." BASKIN
ALSO POINTS OUT RE: ROGERS ROLE THAT NO SECY. OF STATE, W/HIS HIGH
PUBLIC VISIBILITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO HILL, COULD HAVE UNDERTAKEN
THE SECRET MISSIONS OF HAK. " IT SHOULD BE ASSUMED," CONCLUDES THE
DALLAS NEWS ANALYST, "THAT RN, HAK AND ROGERS ARE ON THE SAME
TRACK, DIVISIONIST EFFORTS TO THE CONTRARY."

WARREN ROGERS FEELS LAIRD AND HAK ARE "PASSING FROM CENTER

STAGE W/NEITHER NUMBERED NOR DATED " HE NOTES LAIRD'S CLOSENESS TO
No Objection to Declassification in Part 2010/08/06 : LOC-HAK-248-5-11-9 TO
RN IN '68 AND SUCCESS "IN ONEROUS DOD POST." ROGERS FEELS

LAIRD WOULD HAVE GONE ABOUT ENDING VN IN A "FASTER, DIFFERENT
WAY AND ALSO NOTES HIS GREATER CONCERN THAN RN FOR USSR MILITARY
POSTURE. LAIRD'S ABSENCE AT WH RECEPTION FOR CABINET "CAUSED SOME
EYEBROW-LIFTING" SINCE HE WAS "DECLINING TO BE TOASTED BY RN, WHOSE
EARLIER ACCEPTANCE OF HIS RESIGNATION WAS PERFUNCTIONARY AND ROUTINE."
AS A GOP POL, LAIRD IS "UNHAPPY ABOUT THE PRESENT STATE OF PARTISAN
POLITICS" AND, "IN WHAT COULD BE INTERPRETED AS SLAP AT RN'S SOLO
PERFORMANCE," LAIRD FEELS THE BIGGEST POLITICAL PROBLEM IS TO RESTORE
PRESTIGE TO PARTIES, TO GET AWAY FROM INDIVIDUALS RUNNING AS INDIVIDUALS

ROGERS ALSO REFERS TO WHAT HE CALLS "HANGDOG ERRAND BOY AIR"
AT MID-DECEMBER BRIEFING CONTRASTING W/"SUPERB CONFIDENCE"
OF 26 OCT AND CONCLUDES THAT THO CONTRIBUTIONS OF BOTH LAIRD AND
HAK HAVE BEEN GREAT, MAYBE THEY "SHONE TOO BRIGHTLY" AND "NOW THAT
THE WORK IS ALL BUT DONE, IT IS TIME FOR THEM TO STEP ASIDE AND
LET RN PUT PERSONAL STAMP ON WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED."

FACIAL EXPRESSIONS MEAN A LOT IN DIPLOMATIC REPORTING THESE
DAYS, SAYS UPI'S THOMAS WHO CLAIMS INSIDERS SAY RN GOT TIRED
SMILES AND HANDSHAKING AND AIR OF FRIENDSHIP REFLECTED BY HAK AND
THO DURING DEC. SESSIONS, AND INSERTED THE WORD "CHARMED" IN
HAK'S BRIEFING. THOMAS ALSO CLAIMS HAK IS MORE SUBDUED AND
SOMBER THESE DAYS, BUT GETS A BIT UPSET WHEN REPORTERS SAY SO.
IT'S CLEAR THO THAT HE HAS LOST HIS OLD BANTERING WAYS AND HIS
SMILE, TO SAY THE LEAST, IS WAN.

REFERRING TO CBS AM FILMED INTERVIEW W/FRENCH TEACHER
IMPRISONED IN SVN, ONE VIEWER WROTE HE HAD "HAD IT" W/CBS.
HE CONTENDED CBS DEVOTED 5 MINUTES TO MAN WHO HAD TO BE EITHER
A VC OR COMMUNICST SYMPATHIZER AND ONLY 15 SECONDS TO GVN'S
REBUTTAL. A 2ND VIEWER WROTE RN, COPYING HIS LETTER TO CBS
AM, AND SAID HE COULD NO LONGER STAND THE WAY CBS AM WAS
ENCOURAGING THE ENEMY TO HOLD ON LONGER. HE THINKS CBS SHOULD
BE FORBIDDEN TO BROADCAST ANY MORE REPORTS LIKE THAT. ... ANOTHER
VIEWER WROTE CBS AM THAT PEACE ACTIVISTS ALLEN AND ROMO'S
APPEARANCE ON THE PROGRAM MADE HER "FURIOUS." SHE'S CERTAIN
SOLDIERS WOULD LIKE TO VISIT VN FOR 10 DAYS AND RETURN TO BECOME
TV CELEBRITIES, TOO. ANOTHER CALLED THXBPROGRAM "FAIR," ADDING
HE ALWAYS KNEW IF THE US KNEW THE TRUTH, IT WOULD DEMAND THE
WAR BE STOPPED. HE NOW QUESTIONS CONSCIENCE OF PEOPLE. A 3RD
VIEWER HOPES CBS WON'T BE INTIMIDATED BY "RN'S STRONG-ARMED
CRONIES."